

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows, this listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-12 (canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A housing for an extractor hood, comprising:  
at least one ventilator container for containing therein a ventilator device  
operable to impart motion to steam and other gaseous fluid;  
the housing serves as a housing for at least part of said ventilator  
container and the housing is operable for receiving and guiding steam and  
other gaseous fluid to said ventilator container;  
said ventilator container arranged at least partly in said housing; and  
one section of an external wall of said housing is formed by a portion of  
said ventilator container.
14. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said  
section of said external wall of said housing formed by said portion of said  
ventilator container forms a top section of said housing.
15. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said  
portion of said ventilator container forming said section of said external  
wall of said housing is located in the area of an outlet connecting piece of  
said ventilator container.
16. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said  
portion of said ventilator container forming said section of said external  
wall of said housing has the form of a plate.

17. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said housing includes two side walls and at least one part of one of said side walls forms a section of the top of said housing.
18. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 17, including at least one of said side walls has a bent region at its upper edge.
19. (Currently Amended) The housing according to claim 17, including a part of ~~said~~ an area of said side wall which forms said section of said top of said housing ~~can be brought into~~ is in engagement with at least one region of said ventilator container.
20. (New) The housing according to claim 13, including said housing includes a pair of housing walls each of which has a peripheral edge defining the extent of the respective housing wall in one selected direction and the peripheral edges of the pair of housing walls being spaced from one another and said ventilator container has an exterior forming portion that extends at least partially between the pair of housing walls and that is inwardly of the peripheral edges of the pair of housing walls, said exterior forming portion of said ventilator container forming said one section of an external wall of said housing.
21. (New) The housing according to claim 20, including said one ventilator container contains a ventilator device in the form of a fan operable to impart motion to steam and other gaseous fluid.
22. (New) The housing according to claim 20, including at least one of said housing walls includes a projecting edge for engagement with said exterior forming portion of said ventilator container.